

MSU Faculty Emeriti Association  
Steering Committee Meeting  
Wednesday, April 15, 2009  
1:30-3:30 p.m.  
209 Olds Hall

1. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Forsyth at 1:30 p.m. with the following members present: Mather, Gliozzo, Stone, Wickert, Ishino, Nelson, Sparrow, Shaw, Forsyth, Birdwell, Bader, Adams, Rovner, Ferris and Fischer.
2. The minutes of the March 18, 2009 meeting were approved as distributed.
3. Nominations Committee: Stone reported that more nominations are needed; only one person has agreed to serve if elected. Two or three more nominees are desired.
4. Lecture/Seminar Series: Fischer indicated that Peter Berg will provide an "Overview of the Special Collections in the MSU Library" on May 4th in the Radiology Auditorium. Later this spring, a researcher in the Department of Economics will speak on "Social Security and Work after 62."
5. Emeriti Survey: Mather noted that we are still waiting for a "final" list of Emeriti Faculty before distributing the survey; a consideration by the survey designers has been a paper by Cindi Leverich, a Davenport student, that used a focus group to identify needs, interests and concerns of retirees.
6. Oral History: Adams shared information concerning her successful taping of Joyce Grant and the ease of completing the task, thanks to the helpfulness of the staff at the Library. Other taping sessions are planned for May; interviewers are reminded to make arrangements a week ahead of the desired taping. Laurie Summers will not be recording Dr. Mulder since Archives already has about 50 tapes of his reflections.
7. Academic and Faculty Councils and Health Care Task Force: Stone indicated that faculty emeriti will now be officially included in the by-laws of the Councils as having "voice but no vote" in the deliberations of these bodies. He indicated that the Steering Committee should identify representatives to these groups by fall. Information shared from these meetings: Morrill Hall will be destroyed with a replacement to be built near Wells Hall; the Dubai Project is being cut back due to the enrollment of fewer students than anticipated; cut backs of 4%, 4% and 2% are expected in the upcoming years. Stone continues to participate in the meetings of both the Health Care Task Force and the Health Care Strategies Committee and will keep us informed of their progress in dealing with health care considerations on campus.

8. Board of Trustees: there was no meeting to report.
9. MSU Retiree Association: Forsyth reminded the group that the Association's Annual Meeting and Volunteer Award Luncheon will be held on May 11, 2009 at 11:30 a.m. The event will be held at the Kellogg Center Lincoln Room with political commentator, Tim Skubick, as the speaker. The luncheon cost is \$19.50. This group staffs an office five mornings a week, and they could/would probably answer phone calls for the Steering Committee if that is something we requested. 1
10. Annual Meeting: The Annual Meeting of the Faculty Emeriti Association will be held from 2:30-4:30 on May 20 in the Corniche Room of Kellogg Center. Officers of the Steering Committee will be selected following the general meeting at which light refreshments will be served.
11. Other Business: Linda Nelson took charge of our information table at the recent Retirees' Luncheon. Awards were presented to James Dye and John (Jake) Ferris. The group expressed appreciation to Allyn Shaw for his role in obtaining the plaques and assisting the honorees at the luncheon. Forsyth was asked to provide information about the awards to the MSU ALUMNI MAGAZINE and other campus publications. It was reported that new ID cards will be activated on May 12, 2009. Those wishing to obtain a new card should have a photo taken in the lower level of the Administration Building.
12. The meeting was adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

Maxine S. Ferris Secretary